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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2000, please enter following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21, 22, and 23.

In claim 24, please replace "22" with --16--

Please amend claims 16 and 18 as follows:

16. A [nutritional or dietary] stable, dried bacterial composition comprising:

approximately 0.1 to 10 dry weight percent solid, dried, viable bacteria

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